Non-receipt of Electricity Bills

608. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PATIL; Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is ac fact that the residents of Pushp Vihar (M. B. Road), New, Delhi have not been getting their electri-, city consumption bills for the last two years; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE; MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of answer to (a) above.

Supply of Equipments by BHEL

609. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRA-VARTY; Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the delayed supply of equipments by the BHEL is partly responsible for the power shortage in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the delay in the supply at equipments by BHEL?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE, MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) The present shortage of power is mainly due to shortfall in hydel generation as a result of low reservoir levels and increase in demand from the agricultural sector. Delays in completion of power projects also contribute to loss of generation. Such, delays are due to several factors which include delay in supply of equipment by the suppliers including BHEL. The supply of equipment by BHEL to various power projects is being regularly monitored by the Central Electricity Authority and the Department of Power. Wherever there are delays, they are brought to the notice of BHEL from time to time to expedite the supplies. The concerned Department is also appraised of the matter.

New Power projects in Andhra Pradesh

610. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOW DHURY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state;

(a) whether Central Government have taken steps to generate additional power in the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether any new power projects have been undertaken there during the years 1986-87 and 1987-88;

(c) if not, whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Central Government to establish any new power plants in the State during the next three years,

(d) if so what are the details regarding the site selected and final implications for this purpose; anc

(e) what is the estimated production capacity of each plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. 4 Power Schemes of Andhra Pradesh were completed during the years 1986-87 and 1987-88.

(c) to (e) Do not arise.

Setting up of Thermal Coastal power plants

611. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Thermal Power Corporation is planning to set up ten thermal coastal power plants of 1, 000 M. W. or more capacity;

(b) if so, how many such power plants are being set up in the coastal region of Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?